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Inspection Report
Minerals Regulatory Program
March 6, 2013

Reviewed: PMB

Mine Name: Unpermitted Operation near Antimony
Operator Name: Garfield County

Permit number: Unpermitted
Inspection Date: February 25, 2013
Time: 3:45-4:15 PM

Inspector(s): Paul Baker

Other Participants: Brian Bremner (Garfield County), Ryan Rees (Rees Construction), and Ron Veater (NRCS)

Mine Status: Active

Weather: Mostly cloudy, 40s, patchy snow

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds, Permit Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concurrent Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Revegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Purpose of Inspection:

The purpose of the inspection was to check an unpermitted mining operation.

Inspection Summary:

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds, Permit Fees

The Division has not received a notice of intention for this site, so there is no bond, and the permit fee has not been paid.

10. Other

This area has been mined to extract rock for riprap along the East Fork of the Sevier River immediately adjacent to the quarry. Because the erosion control project and quarry are contiguous, it is very difficult to draw a line where the quarry ends and the stream restoration project begins, so I am unsure how many acres were disturbed by the mine and did not attempt to map the area. There is a highwall that I estimated to be about 30-40 feet high (Photos 1 and 2).

Rees Construction has been quarrying rock, using a grizzly to screen it (Photo 3), and putting material along the stream as part of a project for the Natural Resources Conservation Service in cooperation with the Division of Wildlife Resources.

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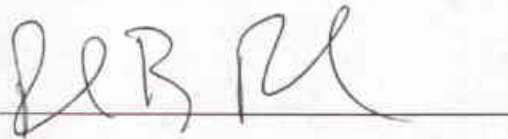
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Conclusions and Recommendations:

The contractor is nearly done with the project, and it is expected that reclamation will be completed by the end of April. Because three government entities are involved, I recommend that the Division obtain a Notice of Intention with associated maps but, assuming reclamation is completed as planned, not require a reclamation surety. The Division should continue to monitor the site for revegetation success.

Inspector's Signature



Directions:

Starting at Antimony Elementary, go 3.0 miles south on SR 22 where there is a gate on the right side of the road. Go through this gate and along a dirt road and across the stream for 0.7 miles to the site.

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cc: Brian Bremner, Garfield County

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Photo 1



Photo 3



Photo 2



Photo 4